

Howland Wood - Curatorial

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BRANCHES AT

BOSTON, ATLANTA, DALLAS, SAN FRANCISCO, PORTLAND, MANILA

11 Dec. 29.

Dear Mr. Wood, —

Is there an inexpensive
Perry polar exploration
medal which may be
bought. A man at this
office wants about 12
such to cost less than a
dollar each. He wants to
give them to Masons, members
of a Perry Lodge. Please I
shall greatly appreciate your reply,
E. E. Green

December 12, 1929

Mr. Elmer Green
World Book Company
Monkers, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Green:

I know of only two medals for Admiral Peary. One must be very rare as the specimen we have is the only one I have ever seen. The other is a cheap aluminum medal about $1\frac{3}{4}$ inch wide, with portrait, issued some years ago by Thomas L.L. Elder, of the Elder Coin & Curio Company, 8 West 37th Street, New York. He may possibly have some of these left.

Sincerely yours,

Curator.

YONKERS CABLE ADDRESS "FORESTA"

TELEPHONE "YONKERS 1511"

MANILA CABLE ADDRESS "DAPHNE"

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Yonkers, New York
30 January 1930

Mr. Howland Wood
The American Numismatic Society
Broadway and 156th Streets
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Wood:

I have your kind letter of 21 January, in which you state that you will photograph the obverse of a Panama Balboa coin for World Book Company, at the next opportunity. Thank you, ever so much!

If you have a Dutch guilder of the year 1626, or 1623, or of any date not long before 1626, I should like to have a photograph of that also, showing the date side. Please. I prefer the date 1626, for it was in that year, I believe, that the Dutch invested 60 guilders in the purchase of Manhattan.

You need not bother to answer this letter. I may be sending on other requests before very long.

Yours sincerely

Elmer Green
World Book Company

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Yonkers, New York
10 March 1930

American Numismatic Society
156th Street and Broadway
New York, N.Y.

Attention of Mr. Howland Wood

Gentlemen:

We shall be glad at any time to have photograph of a Dutch guilder of 1626; also photograph of the largest of the Panama coins with head of Balboa. Perhaps we could use to advantage a photograph of one of the Admiral Vernon medals.

We shall greatly appreciate your favor in this matter.

Yours truly

World Book Company
Elmer Green

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Elmer Green

March 12, 1930

Mr. Elmer Green
World Book Company
Yonkers, New York

Dear Mr. Green:

We are in the process of photographing to-day, and I have included your wants. Dutch guilders, as far as I can find out, were not made in 1626, but a number of years later. I am, however, photographing a Daalder of a few years earlier, it being the only suitable coin we have. I am also photographing two or three Vernon medals as well as the Panama coin.

Yours very truly,

Curator.

March 14, 1930

Mr. Elmer Green
World Book Company
Yonkers, New York

Dear Mr. Green:

I am herewith enclosing prints we have just made for you. I trust they will be useful. The Dutch coin is the regular Daalder of the period and is the closest that we could get to your wants. The bill is enclosed.

Yours very truly,

Curator.

EDWARD T. NEWELL
PRESIDENT

SYDNEY P. NOE
SECRETARY

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"NUMIMA" NEW YORK



HARROLD E. GILLINGHAM
TREASURER

HOWLAND WOOD
CURATOR

TELEPHONE:
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THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
BROADWAY BETWEEN 155TH
AND 156TH STREETS
NEW YORK

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Yours very truly,

Howland Wood,
Curator.

Dear Mr. Wood,

Could you possibly give us a
better defined
picture of the
Balboa?

19 March

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Yonkers, New York
17 March 1930

The American Numismatic Society
Broadway, between 155th and 156th Streets
New York, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed find check for \$4 to pay for photographs of
coins kindly supplied by you at our request.

Yours truly

World Book Company
Elmer Green

Elmer Green

Trunk
Chain Worm

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Yonkers, New York
10 April 1930American Numismatic Society
156th Street and Broadway
New York, N.Y.re: Theobald-Pugliese's Beginners'
History of the United States

Gentlemen:

(16) (74)

Do you have or could you make photographs of the following:
a Spanish doubloon and a Spanish pistole of about the year 1749;
It was about that year that young George Washington was getting
a doubloon and sometimes a doubloon and two pistoles each day for
doing work as a surveyor.

We wish to use cuts of these coins in connection with a story
of Washington's youth.

The other day, by telephone, we asked you please to furnish
us with a photograph of any coin of the state of New York, just
before the Federal Government was established.

We shall greatly appreciate your favor in letting us have these
pictures.

Yours very truly

World Book Company
Elmer Green

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If we can have any of these prints within the next three weeks,
that will be early enough.

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April 12th 1930

World Book Company
Yonkers, New York

Mr. Elmer Green:

Dear Mr. Green:

We are to-day photographing a doubloon and a
pistole of about the period you wish, also a couple of
New York cents, and we are rephotographing that Panama
Balboa.

Sincerely,

Curator.

A. M. American Society

Indians,

I enclose a folder containing
that Seal, etc. of Maryland from back
they all are date side the reverse.
Will you please tell me whether
this is not technically the reverse?
Unless you need it, I shall be glad if you
will return the folder.

Also, have you a specimen
of the early paper currency of Maryland.
I have a bill of 1774. But I do
not know what Maryland issued paper
so early as about 1730. What
might be the chance for proto-type
of an early bill? If I had the
subject, I would credit the Society.

A course. I shall greatly
appreciate your reply.

Yours very truly

Elmer Green

Baltimore

17 May 1790

May 18, 1933.

Mr. Elmer Green
622 Coleraine Road
Carroll Station
Baltimore, Md.

Dear Mr. Green:

I have studied carefully your question concerning the Great Seal of Maryland. At first glance I would consider the shield side as the obverse but on studying it over and reading the inscription the side with the horseman on must be considered the face of the seal, as the ~~signature~~ significant part of the inscription is there, also the horseman who is supposed to be Lord Calvert. Where the main inscription or the ruler is depicted on coins is considered the obverse, the arms of the country the reverse. Where the arms take the most important place, that is versus denomination or inscription or some minor adjunct, the arms are the obverse. The committee that drew this up in 1876 followed the earliest seal extant of the time of Lord Baltimore's son and on that seal the horseman was the obverse. On this original seal the horseman fills up the whole space and leaves no doubt that it is the obverse. The present day seal with the small horseman makes it an insignificant looking affair. We find an interesting account of the Great Seal of Maryland in the Peabody Fund publication No. 23, Maryland Historical Society, Baltimore 1886, in a paper by Clayton C. Hall.

We have a good many Maryland bills, chiefly the later ones. The first I know anything about was a one shilling of 1740. Other issues are 1748, 51, 56, 67, 68, 70, 75, 76, 80 and 81. Our earliest bill is 1770. We do not have a photostat machine and would have to make a straight photographic negative that would cost \$2.00. I think you could get one down in Baltimore much cheaper. Probably the Maryland Historical Society could make you a photostat as they must have a number of these bills.

Very truly yours,

NW:JG

Curator

Dear Mr. Wood, —

Can you please tell me,
is the "Continental Dollar" of 1776
entitled to be called the first
coin of the United States? I believe
it was struck in pewter. The
design is sometimes attributed
to Franklin. Is it properly
attributed to him?

Can you tell me the name
of a dealer who might be able to
sell me a Maryland colonial
bill of date earlier than 1774?
It might be cheaper to buy one
than have one photographed.
Mr. Kohler and the St. Louis Stamp Co.
have no early Md. colonial

currency. Some years ago I
bought a fine 1774 eight-dollar
Md. bill of the St. Louis Co.

I enclose envelope for
reply +

Thanking you for repeated
courtesies, I am

Yours very truly

Elmer Green

622 Coleraine Road
Carroll Station
Baltimore, Maryland

17 July '33

My wife and I are doing
a little history of Md. for
schools, which we
hope to publish ourselves.
If the thing goes over, I
may ask for remittance in membership.

October 13, 1933.

Mr. Elmer Green
622 Coleraine Road
Carroll Station
Baltimore, Maryland.

Dear Mr. Green:

Your seal is of the Roman period but it is not necessarily straight Roman. Mr. Newell thinks it looks more like what might have been done in Syria in the latter days of the Roman Empire there.

Very truly yours,

HW:JG

Curator